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If Russian President Vladimir Putin, with a swift move of effective diplomacy, has averted further bloodshed in the Mideast, he deserves the Nobel Peace Prize.

PEACE PRIZE FOR PUTIN?

- **President Vladimir Putin's diplomacy may have averted WWIII**
- **Has Putin spared America from yet another stupid foreign war?**

By Michael Collins Piper

In one swift measure — working in conjunction with the besieged Syrian leader Bashar al-Assad — Russian President Vladimir Putin may have spared the United States the ignominy of once again getting involved in a foolish and needless war in the Middle East.

The truth is that Putin — the leader of the Cold War colossus that was America's presumed "enemy" for so long — did what the battle-tested leaders of the American military wanted. He put a stop to the attack on Syria that the pro-Israel lobby — standing virtually alone — was demanding Congress endorse in spite of overwhelming opposition from the American public.

Even after President Barack Obama, on the evening of Sept. 10, in a speech from the White House, tried to make a case for attacking Syria, polls show 60% of Americans still oppose getting involved in Syria's civil war. Only 19% of those surveyed believe the U.S. should attack Damascus. Legislators are certainly feeling this pressure from their constituents, who are swamping Capitol Hill with calls and letters telling their elected representatives the people do not want the U.S. involved in any more wars.

As a result of this, initial support on the part of the Republican leaders for attacking Syria appears to be unraveling. On the morning of the anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) announced that he would not support Obama's plan for even limited strikes in Syria.

It's no secret that America's military elite opposed any kind of military action against Syria. In taking such a stand, they were endorsed by the large majority of the American people, who have come to realize — after a decade of disastrous intervention in the Middle East — that such wars (and let's call them what they are: wars on behalf of Israel's imperial designs) are not in the best interests of the United States or the world for that matter.

Putin may well have averted a third world war, and — if the reaction of Israel's cheerleaders is being judged correctly — he has also put a roadblock in the way of Israel's continuing push for the United States to wage war against the Islamic republic of Iran, a longtime ally of the secular regime of Syrian leader al-Assad.

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